



Santa Rosa Rancheria Tachi Yokut Tribe

Elected Officials



Chairman: Ruben Barrios (elected 4/2013)

Vice Chairperson: Elmer Tomas

Tribal Council is elected for 2 year terms and elections are staggered with half the council elected each year.

Environmental Director: Noah Ignacio

Land Base: 587 acres

Primary Economy: Gaming, Farming

Population and Poverty (2000 Census): 733 residents live on the reservation; 60.2% live in poverty.

Educational Attainment (of persons over 25): 26.2% have at least a high school diploma. 0% have a bachelor's or graduate degree.

EPA Funding (2014-2015)

GAP	\$76,500
CWA 106	\$58,000
CAA 103	\$64,000
Total	\$198,500



Clean Water Act 106 Program Funding

The purpose of this project is for the development of Santa Rosa Rancheria's water pollution control program through the collection and assessment of baseline surface and ground water quality monitoring, providing water quality training to environmental staff and community outreach efforts.

Contact: Audrey Johnson, 415-972-3431

Safe Drinking Water Act Compliance

In July 2012, the Tribe installed a chloramination treatment unit to their public water system to reduce the total trihalomethanes ("TTHMs") in their drinking water supply. The Tribe's public water supply was producing TTHMs above the EPA drinking water maximum contaminant ("MCL") level of 80 mg/L. As of March 2014, the public water system has reduced its TTHM levels below 80 mg/L and is currently in compliance with EPA's TTHM MCL running annual average.

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Environmental Protection

The objective of Tribal Environmental Office is to expand the Tribe's Environmental Protection Program to include the development of an environmental plan, development of a clean water program, development of a clean air program, development of a recycling program and environmental outreach and education to the Tribal community. The TEO works with the County and State officials as well as Federal agencies in implementing the Tribe's Environmental Protection Program. The TEO solicits input from Tribal community members in all aspects of program development and implementation. Some of the program highlights is the Tribe has completed a Solid Waste Management Plan and has hosted the EPA/Tribal Conference.

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Air

The Tribe is developing its capacity to assess air quality conditions and to develop strategies to address air quality issues. The tribe will continue strategic planning and evaluation, compliance assistance, developing a tribal technology plan, monitoring air and emissions, air quality outreach and other air program activities. The Tribe is one of the only air stations in the Southern Joaquin Valley monitoring air quality.

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Temperance Flat dam and reservoir project

The BOR is undergoing NEPA analysis for a proposed new dam and reservoir along the San Joaquin River. Santa Rosa Rancheria is located near the project site. BOR has not yet initiated formal consultation with the federally recognized tribes in the area, but has held meetings and initial interviews with tribal representatives. Reclamation's research showed no known traditional cultural properties in the study area, but the proposed Temperance Flat RM 274 Reservoir may have impacts to Native American heritage locations and resources.

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